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THE States General of the United Provinces have appointed Wednesday the 5th of December for a day of general Thanksgiving, Fasting, and Prayer, to be observ'd throughout their Dominions. The Letter sent by the States of Holland and West Friseland on this Occasion to the chief Magistrates of the Cities and Towns of their Province, is as follows,

Venerable, Wise, Provident, Discreet, Beloved, Trusty.

FORasmuch as Almighty God, out of his infinite loving Kindness, has been pleas'd hitherto, and particularly during the present War, to preserve with his allpowerful Protection, the State of our Dear Country, so that by the taking several Places this last Campaign, our Frontiers are still better secur'd; and seeing we are, notwithstanding, still involv'd in a very burthensom and dangerous War, with a powerful Enemy, of which we cannot expect a good Issue, without the particular and all-sufficient Help and Support of the Lord of Hosts: The States General of the United Netherlands, with our Consent, having duly weigh'd the Circumstances of the present Times and Affairs, and consider'd that all Endeavours that can be us'd for the Security and Advancement of the publick Good, will, without God's gracious Blessing, be ineffectual, have thought fit to appoint a General Day of Thanksgiving, Fasting and Prayer, to be observ'd throughout all the United Provinces, associated Countries, Cities and Members of the same, on Wednesday the 5th of December next ensuing; That on that Day, in all the Churches of this Land, God may be heartily prais'd for the Favour which he has mercifully been pleas'd to manifest hitherto towards our Fatherland, and for protecting it in this War, from being Invaded by the Enemy of our Counrry; and further, that with sincere Confession of the Sins of this Land, from which neither his Mercies nor Judgments have been sufficient to deter us, and with unfeign'd Repentance, He may be most humbly and devoutly intreated to forgive us all our past Offences, and in token thereof to vouchsafe the Continuance of his Almighty Protection to this Land, and of his Assistance and Support under the present War, and to give his Blessing to the Designs and Enterprizes which shall be taken in hand by this State, and the High Allies of the same, against the common Enemy, and for the Good of the common Cause: And also on the other hand to be-

sech him to infatuate the Counsels and frustrate the Attempts of the Enemy with his strong Arm: All for the glorifying of God's Holy Name, the Advancement of the true Christian Reform'd Religion, the Conservation of our Dear-bought Liberty, and the Salvation of our Souls, &c.

Given at the Hague, Nov. 25. 1703.

Falmouth, Nov. 29. This day put in here 3 Ships from Virginia bound for London, They came from Virginia the 1st of this Month, with about 60 Sail under Convoy of Her Majesty's Ships the Guernsey and Oxford, but were separated from them by bad Weather on the 1st instant.

Plymouth, Nov. 30. Yesterday about 4 in the Morning the Winchelsea of London, Captain Read Commander, from Virginia, having on board 450 Hogheads of Tobacco, 22 Guns and 25 Men, was lost on the Edystone, and only the Captain and 6 of the Sailers sav'd. The George Brigantine of London, Samuel Lawrence Master, for Guinea, was stranded, but is since got off without damage. Last Night came in 2 Ships both for London from Maryland, being parted from the homeward bound Virginia Fleet 6 or 8 days ago in bad Weather.

Dartmouth, Nov. 30. On Friday Night last a most violent Storm of Wind arose the like never known before in these Parts, which held 5 hours and did considerable Damage to Houses, Trees, and Corn, as well as to Shipping; as for the last I am to acquaint you, that a Dane or Swede of considerable Burthen from Bourdeaux was cast away upon the Bolt Land or Point; all her Men were drown'd, and all her Lading of Wines, ex-2 Casks, lost. On Sunday the Hampton Court put into Torbay from Algiers, (4 other English Men of War from the same Place are pass'd Eastward) having lost both her Top-Masts, which damage she has since repair'd. At the same time put in there the Mary of Glasgow, bound from Youghall for Rotterdam, having lost her Mainmast, Yards and Sails. Here are arriv'd 2 Merchant Ships from Virginia, both of and for London.

Farmouth, Dec. 1. On the 29th of last Month in the Evening, a Russia Merchant Ship, John Humphreys Master, came in sight of our Harbour, and we thought would get safe in, but she ran upon a Sand off Hembsby and sunk in the Night. Last Night the Joseph and Mary another Russia Merchant Man, broke from her Anchors and drove upon St. Nicholas Sand and is lost, but all the Men are sav'd of both those Ships. Yesterday came in Her Majesty's Ships

Ships the Nottingham, Tilbury and Falkland, the 2 former from cruising off the Dogger, and the last from Archangel; came in also the Deale Castle from the last mention'd Place. The Triton, Margate, and Lynn, continue here. 3 Ships bound for Leghorne are come in to repair Damages sustain'd in the late Storm.

Yarmouth, Dec. 2. This day came into our Roads the Dartmouth and Winchelsea Men of War from Humber, and with them 5 Russia Merchant Ships. Most of the laden Colliers fail'd this Morning, the Weather favourable, the Wind at West.

Deale, Dec. 2. Six Ships from Virginia arriv'd yesterday in the Downes under Convoy of Her Majesty's Ship the Guernsey. The Queen's Ships and outward bound last mention'd are still here.

Harwich, Dec. 2. The Mails from Holland are still detain'd by the contrary Wind, which blows now at W.N.W. Here remain 140 Sail of laden Colliers bound for the River: And the rest of the Ships that receiv'd Damage in the late Storm continue in our Roads.

London, Dec. 3. There is no further News yet of Sir Cloudfly Shovel: But that there came a Person yesterday to Town who reports he saw him on the Long Sand Head (as was said in our last) is very certain.

AT the Theatre Royal in *Drury-Lane*, this present Saturday being the 4th of December, will be presented a new Comedy never Acted but twice, call'd, *The Lying Lover*, or, *The Lady's Friendship*.

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